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Mr. Corey Lewandowski c/o Peter A. Chavkin 701 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Lewandowski:

As the former campaign manager for Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign, you worked closely with then-candidate Trump and his senior policy advisers, including the foreign policy team. In your role, you were made aware of efforts by some advisers, including George Papadopoulos and Carter Page, to arrange meetings between the Trump campaign and Russian officials. Given your role on the campaign, we believe that you have information that would assist the Committee in its investigation related to Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election. Accordingly, we are writing to request documents and schedule an interview with you in February 2018.

In April 2016, George Papadopoulos, a foreign policy adviser on the Trump campaign, advised a "high-ranking campaign official" that, according to contacts purporting to have connections to top Russian officials, Vladimir Putin wanted to host a visit with then-candidate Trump. The following month, Mr. Papadopoulos reported that his Russian connections were open to "cooperation" and asked if the campaign wanted to move forward. You reportedly are the "high-ranking campaign official" with whom Mr. Papadopoulos was discussing this possible meeting between Putin and Trump. 3

Another campaign foreign policy adviser, Carter Page, also notified you and other campaign officials about his July 2016 trip to Moscow. Page sought input

Statement of the Offense, U.S. v. Papadopoulos, 17-cr-00182 (Oct. 5, 2017), at ¶15(b).

² Statement of the Offense, U.S. v. Papadopoulos, 17-cr-00182 (Oct. 5, 2017), at ¶16.

³ Rosalind Helderman, "Who's who in the George Papadopoulos court documents," Washington Post (Nov. 2, 217).

from the campaign on how to "focus" remarks he planned to deliver.⁴ You approved Mr. Page's trip as long as it was "not affiliated with the campaign," though Page met with Russian officials and discussed the presidential campaign during that trip.⁵

The Intelligence Community has concluded that Russia interfered in the 2016 election, with the goal of undermining faith in our democratic processes and harming Secretary Clinton's candidacy.⁶ As explained in the January 6, 2017 Intelligence Community assessment: "We further assess Putin and the Russian Government developed a clear preference for President-elect Trump."⁷

The Committee is investigating these matters, and we ask that you provide the following documents in advance of your interview with the Committee, covering the time period from June 15, 2015 to the present:

- 1. All communications to, from, or copied to you with George Papadopoulos, Carter Page, JD Gordon, Sam Clovis, Lt. General Michael Flynn, Charles Kubic, Brent Mizusawa, Joe Schmitz, Gary Harrell, Walid Phares, or other campaign advisors, concerning Joseph Mifsud, Olga Vinogradova (or any other person introduced as or believed to be the niece of Vladimir Putin), Russia, Ukraine, U.S. sanctions, or Vladimir Putin;
- 2. All communications concerning contacts between (a) you, Donald Trump, members of the Trump campaign or transition team, or associates of the Trump Organization, and (b) Russian government officials, associates, or representatives, including any individuals who purported to act or whom were believed to be acting on behalf of or in concert with Russian government officials, associates, or representatives, including any representative of Russian state-owned banks (e.g., Sberbank, Vnesheconombank, VEB, Vneshtorgbank, VTB) concerning Donald Trump or the 2016 U.S. election;

⁴ Manu Raju and Jeremy Herb, "Carter Page reveals new contacts with Trump campaign, Russians," CNN, Nov. 8, 2017.

⁵ Cristiano Lima, "Lewandowski: 'My memory has been refreshed' on Carter Page Moscow trip," Politico (Nov. 8, 2017).

⁶ Office of the Director of National Intelligence, "Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent US Elections," ICA 2017-01D, January 6, 2017, at 2-3.

⁷ Office of the Director of National Intelligence, "Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent US Elections," ICA 2017-01D, January 6, 2017, at 1.

- 3. All communications concerning US foreign policy on Russia (including sanctions against Russia or Russia's relationship with the Ukraine), Sergey Kislyak, or Vladimir Putin;
- 4. All documents concerning efforts to revise the Republican National Party Platform with regard to Russia, Ukraine, or Turkey; and
- 5. All communications concerning Russian interference in the 2016 election, including all communications regarding emails of the Democratic National Committee, John Podesta, or Hillary Clinton.

We appreciate your cooperation and prompt attention to this important matter and ask that you provide the requested material as soon as possible, but no later than February 7, 2018. Please contact Brian Privor on my staff at (202) 224-7703 to schedule your interview and discuss arrangements for document production.

Sincerely,

Dianne Feinstein

United States Senator

cc: The Honorable Charles E. Grassley